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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CHINA.

Report from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels—Smallpox—Hongkong declared to be infected with plague and smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, February 28, as follows:

During the week ended February 24, 1906, one original and one supplemental bill of health were issued, and there were inspected 2 steamers, 178 crew and 37 steerage passengers. Twenty-nine packages of personal effects belonging to crew and steerage passengers were disinfected, and two packages were inspected and passed. Two vaccination certificates were issued to steerage passengers bound to the United States, and 1 emigrant for San Francisco, per steamship *Coptic*, was rejected on account of trachoma. Manifests were viséed for 563 pieces of freight.

The weekly report of the municipal health officer shows 2 deaths from smallpox. This report is a little misleading, inasmuch as it does not show, by a considerable number, the cases and deaths from smallpox actually occurring in Shanghai.

Hongkong has been declared by the consular body and customs officials here to be infected with both plague and smallpox.

No reports of quarantinable disease have been received from out-ports.

CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Consul Baehr reports, March 26, as follows:

Week ended March 24, 1906. Bills of health issued to 6 vessels bound for the United States with 165 crew. Of these vessels the Spanish steamship *Riojano*, that cleared for Galveston, Tex., on the 23d, and the Norwegian steamship *Volund*, bound for New Orleans, La., on the 24th, were both duly fumigated by the Cuban authorities at this port, according to quarantine regulations prevailing. No passengers. The sanitary conditions of these vessels were reported good; no sickness.

No quarantinable diseases reported at this port during this week.